Thursday March 28, 2013



This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Three more draft BDCP chapters made available to the public

Three more draft chapters of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) have been released to the public. <u>Chapters 5-7</u> cover the effects analysis, plan implementation and implementation structure.

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A <u>fact sheet and related materials</u> have been posted on the BDCP website. A public meeting to discuss these chapters will be held Thursday, April 4, in Sacramento. Details will be posted <u>here</u>. The <u>first four chapters</u> were released March 14. A public meeting for those chapters was held last week. The meeting <u>video</u>, and some of the <u>materials</u> used, are online. The BDCP's final four draft chapters will be <u>released next month</u>.

Two-day meeting will set final stage for the Delta Plan

A live <u>webcast</u> is available for this week's meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC). The two-day meeting will be today and tomorrow, March 28 and 29, in Sacramento. Council members are expected to make final changes to a comprehensive management plan for the Delta. This will lead to the final stages of developing the <u>Delta Plan</u>, which is expected to be adopted by the DSC in May.

DWR releases initial funding list for flood projects

DWR has released the <u>preliminary funding recommendations</u> from the Central Valley Flood System Conservation Frameworks and Strategy's first proposal solicitation package. Details on the recommendations and instructions on submitting public comments are available <u>here</u>. Proposition 1E is the source of the funding for the flood management projects.

National heritage area presentation on agenda for DPC The Delta Protection Commission (DPC) will meet tonight, March 28, in Stockton. Commissioners will receive a presentation on potential Delta National Heritage Area activities in Antioch. Legislation introduced in Congress would make the Delta estuary a national heritage area managed by the



PROSPECT ISLAND RESTORATION

DPC. There will also be updates on the <u>Prospect Island Restoration Agreement</u> and a fish restoration program.

Program opens 2013 application process

Applications are being accepted for the 2013 Delta Science Fellows Program. Details are available <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. Up to 10 fellowships for pre-doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers will be awarded for proposals addressing <a href="priority topics">priority topics</a> from the Delta Plan policy areas. The application deadline is Monday, May 20. The fellows program is administered by California Sea Grant on behalf of the Delta Science Program.

Draft report developed for program that will identify levee repairs

A draft <u>program environmental impact report</u> has been developed for DWR's Small Erosion Repair Program (SERP). Details, including instructions on submitting comments, are available <u>here</u>. SERP will identify and conduct small levee repairs, with the initial focus being on 300 miles of levees within the Sacramento River Flood Control Project Area.





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